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MR. WILLIS HESITATES.

EXIGENCIES IN HAWAII WHICH ALTER HIS DETERMINATION.

In an Alleged Interview the American Minister Institutes he Is the Situation Different From Statements.

POR T TOWNSEND, WASH., Dec. 5.—The barkentine Klickitat, Captain Cutler, arrived yesterday from Honolulu withad vice to Nov. 20, four days after steamer Alameda sailed for San Francisco. In an interview published in the Hawaiian Star, Minister Willis is reported to have said:

So Change in Situation

You are authorized to state that no change in the present situation will take place for several weeks. I brought with me certain instructions from the United States government on the Hawaiian situation, but since my arrival contingencies have arisen, about which neither the United States government, nor myself were aware when I left Washington. I have thought best to submit these matters to Washington before proceeding further to carry out my original instructions. No one need fear any trouble and no lawlessness will be permitted."

This statement gave the Annexationists much satisfaction and the Royalists were much displeased on account of the many rumors current of contemplated action of the Queen's supporters. The provincial government found it necessary to keep two companies of soldiers under arms for several nights after the Alameda sailed.

No Lawlessness Will be Allowed.

Minister Willis said: "I mean that until the time comes for me to carry out my instructions, the peace and good order of this community will be kept undisturbed in the interests of humanity; that any attempt made by any person or persons to make trouble will be promptly checked and punished. You may put the matter more plainly and say that even if the provisional government discharges all of its troops to-day, no lawlessness would be allowed for on moment under the present situation of affairs the whole Hawaiian question is now in abeyance and nothing that the newspapers can say could induce me to do otherwise. I will make this statement on my own responsibility and hope that it will allay the present excitement. No one need fear trouble and no lawlessness will be permitted."

After this statement rumors began to fly about that the Queen's supporters would make a final rally in her behalf. The crews of the United States men-of-war the Philadelphia and Adams were held in readiness to be landed at a moment's notice.

The Interview Denied.

The Queen's advocate came out next day with a denial of the Willis interview, saying he was misquoted and by inference gave encouragement to the idea that Mr. Willis had or would receive an imperative order to restore the Queen.

The newspapers containing Mr. Blount's report had not reached the island when the Klickitat sailed.

State Department.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—The officials of the State Department have received no advice from Hawaii by the barkentine Klickitat, which arrived at Port Townsend yesterday from Honolulu. They are inclined to discredit and question the accuracy of the reports made by Mr. Jones and Mr. Willis in the Honolulu Daily Star. They say that it would have been impossible for Minister Willis to have thus expressed himself, and they do not believe that he did make the statements attributed to him. This is the only reason advanced for discrediting the reported interview. The information that the carrying out of the President's instructions had been delayed, was evidently discredited to the Department and unexpected by them.

The U. S. Consul at Honolulu.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Dec. 5.—The United States revenue cutter Corwin sailed shortly before midnight last night. Her destination is secret, but it is supposed that she is going to Honolulu with instructions for Minister Willis. It is reported that one of the sailors on the Corwin had been bribed to take dispatches from Minister Thurston to President Davis. The captain of the Corwin refused to take letters from Consul Willis, saying he did not know where he was going.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—Secretary Carter has just received a despatch from San Francisco announcing the departure of the Corwin at 12:30 o'clock last night of the United States revenue cutter Corwin, Captain Munger, for Honolulu.

One passenger only was carried by the Corwin, and he was a representative of the State Department at Washington, with messages and official documents for Minister Willis.

"I care but little about Mr. Jones' hysterical cant, his self-delusions, or his bombastic boasting. They are part and parcel of him," said Mr. Jones.

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